

SENATE BILL 99

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By: **Senators Colburn and Mathias**

Introduced and read first time: January 17, 2012

Assigned to: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Wicomico County – Board of Education – Selection of Members – Straw Ballot**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that a question be placed on the ballot in Wicomico
4 County at the November general election of 2012 to determine the sense of the
5 voters of the County on the issue of changing the method of selecting members
6 of the Wicomico County Board of Education; providing for the carrying out of
7 the straw ballot; and generally relating to the holding of a straw ballot in
8 Wicomico County.

9 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
10 MARYLAND, That under the provisions of the Election Law Article, the Wicomico
11 County Board of Elections, in consultation with the State Board of Elections, shall
12 prepare and include on the ballot for the November general election of 2012 the
13 following question:

14 “Do you favor changing the method of selection of the members of the Wicomico
15 County Board of Education from appointment by the Governor to election by the
16 voters of Wicomico County?”

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Wicomico County
18 Board of Elections and the County Executive and County Council of Wicomico County
19 shall do those things necessary and proper to place this question on the ballot
20 prepared for the November general election of 2012, so that each participating voter in
21 the County may have the opportunity to cast a vote on the question. The question
22 shall be proposed, presented, tallied, and reported in general accordance with the
23 provisions of the Election Law Article. The vote on this question is advisory only.

24 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
25 July 1, 2012.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

